

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 31, Adjournment Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S885–S887

Measures Introduced: One resolution was introduced, as follows: S. Con. Res. 31. **Page S886**

Measures Passed:

Liu Xiaobo Plaza: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 2451, to designate the area between the intersections of International Drive, Northwest and Van Ness Street, Northwest and International Drive, Northwest and International Place, Northwest in Washington, District of Columbia, as “Liu Xiaobo Plaza”, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S886–87**

Adjournment Resolution: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 31, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page S887**

Authorizing Leadership to Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S887**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Majority Leader, the junior Senator from Alaska, and the junior Senator from Missouri, be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions, on Friday, February 12, 2016 through Monday, February 22, 2016. **Page S887**

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that when the Senate completes its business on Friday, February

12, 2016, it adjourn, to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Monday, February 15, 2016, at 11:00 a.m., and Thursday, February 18, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.; and that when the Senate adjourns on Thursday, February 18, 2016, it next convene at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, February 22, 2016, unless the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 31; and that if the Senate receives such a message, it stand adjourned until 3:00 p.m., on Monday, February 22, 2016. **Page S887**

Washington’s Farewell Address—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3:00 p.m., on Monday, February 22, 2016, Senator Coons be recognized to deliver Washington’s Farewell Address. **Page S887**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Sunil Sabharwal, of California, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund for a term of two years.

Azita Raji, of California, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Sweden.

Brian James Egan, of Maryland, to be Legal Adviser of the Department of State.

Samuel D. Heins, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Norway.

John L. Estrada, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Under Secretary of State (Political Affairs).

David McKean, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg. **Pages S886, S887**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page S886**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Page S886**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:19 a.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, February 22, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S887.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 29 public bills, H.R. 4551–4579; and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 116 were introduced. **Pages H816–17**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H818–19**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

North Korea Sanctions Enforcement Act of 2016: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 757, to improve the enforcement of sanctions against the Government of North Korea, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 408 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 82.

Pages H779–88, H802–03

Common Sense Nutrition Disclosure Act: The House passed H.R. 2017, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants and similar retail food establishments, and to amend the authority to bring proceedings under section 403A, by a yea-and-nay vote of 266 yeas to 144 nays with one answering "present", Roll No. 81.

Pages H789–H802

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

Pages H795–96

Agreed to:

McMorris Rodgers amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–421) that ensures that businesses will not be penalized for inadvertent human error in preparation or variation of ingredients (by a recorded vote of 309 yeas to 100 noes with one answering "present", Roll No. 79).

Pages H796–98, H800

Rejected:

Schrader amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 114–421) that sought to strike "off-premises" ordering exception from bill (by a recorded vote of 148 yeas to 258 noes with one answering "present", Roll No. 80).

Pages H798–99, H800–01

H. Res. 611, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2017) was agreed to yesterday, February 11th.

Adjournment Resolution: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 31, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives. **Page H811**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H805.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H800, H800–01, H801–02, and H802. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and at 1:50 p.m., pursuant to S. Con. Res. 31, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2016.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on Office of the Inspector General. Testimony was heard from Phyllis K. Fong, Inspector General; Gil H. Harden, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Office of the Inspector General; and Ann Coffey, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Office of the Inspector General.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 2017 BUDGET REQUEST AND READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing entitled "Department of the Air Force 2017 Budget Request and Readiness". Testimony was heard from General David L. Goldfein, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force; Lieutenant General John W. Raymond, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations; and Lieutenant General John Cooper, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering, and Force Protection.

**ASSESSING THE DEVELOPMENT OF
AFGHANISTAN NATIONAL SECURITY
FORCES**

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Development of Afghanistan National Security Forces”. Testimony was heard from Kent Breedlove, Senior Defense Analyst for Afghanistan, Defense Intelligence Agency; Christine Abizaid, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Afghanistan, Pakistan and Central Asia, Department of Defense; Colonel Stephen L. A. Michael, USA, Deputy Director, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Transregional Threats Coordination Cell, Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; John Sopko, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction; and Michael Child, Deputy Inspector General for Overseas Contingency Operations, Department of Defense.

**OUTBREAKS, ATTACKS, AND ACCIDENTS:
COMBATTING BIOLOGICAL THREATS**

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Outbreaks, Attacks, and Accidents: Combatting Biological Threats”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 22, 2016**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, February 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Tuesday, February 23

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senator Coons will be recognized to deliver Washington's Farewell Address. Following the reading, Senate will be in a period of morning business until 5:30 p.m.

At 5:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Robert McKinnon Califf, of South Carolina, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.

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